

REMARKS

[0010] Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration and allowance of all of the claims of the application. The status of the claims is as follows:

- Claims 1, 2, 4, 6-10, 14-16, 18, 20-31 and 33-35 are currently pending; and
- Claims 28 and 33-35 are amended herein.

Allowed Claims

[0011] The Office Action indicates that claims 1, 2, 4, 6-10, 14-16, 18 and 20-27 are allowable. (Office Action, Office Action Summary.) Applicant would like to thank the Examiner for allowing claims 1, 2, 4, 6-10, 14-16, 18 and 20-27. These claims have not been amended herein, and therefore remain in condition for allowance.

[0012] The Examiner has indicated that claims 28 and 33-35 would be allowable if they are “rewritten or amended to overcome the rejections under 35 U.S.C. 112, 2nd paragraph, set forth in the Office action.” (Action, p. 4.) Applicant thanks the Examiner for this indication. Claims 28 and 33-35 as amended herein overcome the rejections under 35 U.S.C. 112; therefore they are in condition for allowance.

[0013] Claims 29-31 are objected to as depending from a rejected base claim. The Examiner has indicated that these claims would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the features of the base claim from which they depend. (Action, p. 5.) Applicant thanks the Examiner for this indication. Applicant respectfully asserts that claims 29-31 are in condition for allowance because they depend from an allowable base claim. Claims 29-31 depend from claim 28 which is in condition for allowance at

least for the reasons discussed herein. Consequently, claims 29-31 are in condition for allowance.

Claim Objections

[0014] Claim 28 stands objected to for informalities for which appropriate correction is required. This objection to claim 28 is overcome herein because claim 28 is amended to recite “the unauthorized user.”

[0015] With respect to claim 1, the Office points out that “Claim 1 recites the limitation ‘transforms the first code to a new code’, however claims 20, 28 and 33-35 recited the limitations of ‘transforms the first code to a second code’.” The Office further states that “Applicant[s] need to be consistent with terminology used in the claims.” Applicant thanks the Examiner for the careful consideration of the claims despite different terminology used in the claims.

Claims 34 and 35 Comply With § 112 First Paragraph

[0016] Claims 34 and 35 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, first paragraph, as allegedly being a “process . . . consist[ing] of a single step: ‘using a single definition for transforming the first code to a new code, and thus interpreted as a single means/single step claim under MPEP 2164.08(a). . . ’.” Applicant respectfully traverses this rejection.

[0017] Nevertheless, for the sole purpose of expediting prosecution and without commenting on the propriety of the Office's rejections, Applicant herein amends claims 34 and 35 as shown above. Applicant respectfully submits that these amendments

overcome the § 112, first paragraph rejection, because claim 34 and 35 as amended recited more than one step or act for “transform[ing] a first code into a second code.”

Claims 33-35 Comply With § 112 Second Paragraph

[0018] Claims 33-35 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph, as allegedly being indefinite. Applicant respectfully traverses this rejection.

[0019] Nevertheless, for the sole purpose of expediting prosecution and without acquiescing in the propriety of the Office's rejections, Applicant herein amends claims 33-35 as shown above. Applicant respectfully submits that these amendments overcome the § 112, second paragraph rejections.

[0020] With respect to claim 33, the claim is amended herein to recite a “processor configured to perform acts comprising: receiving a first code . . . transforming the first code . . .” and so forth to clarify what is claimed. Applicant respectfully submits claim 33 is in condition for allowance. With respect to claims 34 and 35, the claims are amended herein to clarify the subject matter of the claims. Applicant respectfully submits that claims 34 and 35 are in condition for allowance.

Conclusion

[0021] Applicant submits that all pending claims are in condition for allowance. Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration and prompt issuance of the application. If any issues remain that prevent issuance of this application, the Examiner is urged to contact the undersigned representative for the Applicant before issuing a subsequent Action.

Respectfully Submitted,

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